

### **3.A. CLEAN CITIES PROGRAM: CO-SPONSORSHIP OF CONFERENCES AND EVENTS**

**Background and Objectives:** The Office of Transportation Technologies (OTT) operates several programs to help promote the introduction of alternative fuel and advanced vehicle technology (fuels, vehicles, infrastructure) into the domestic transportation system in a safe, economical, and businesslike manner. OTT also supports the deployment of technologies, providing needed support at critical points in the transition of technologies from the laboratory to the marketplace. In addition, OTT implements many activities related to the alternative fuel provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPAct), including the Clean Cities program, federal fleet programs, analytical work, testing and evaluation, and regulatory efforts.

A primary objective of the OTT is to develop government/industry partnerships to expand the use of alternatives to gasoline and diesel fuel, accelerate the deployment of alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs), and build a local AFV refueling infrastructure. To facilitate the adoption of these technologies by non-Federal users, information on these technologies and their applications in the marketplace needs to be provided to key stakeholders.

An effective forum for the discussion and dissemination of this information is through conferences and events that are attended by a cross-section of key stakeholders, such as representatives of state and local government, environmental offices, public/private fleet managers, utilities, AFV original-equipment manufacturing companies and dealerships, community groups, and representatives of various Federal agencies. Co-sponsoring some of these conferences and events is a cost-effective information dissemination mechanism for the Office.

**Program Area of Interest:** Applications are requested for the co-sponsorship of conferences and events related to the Clean Cities program and the alternative fuels market. Such conferences and events would include relevant sessions focused on Clean Cities Program related topics (e.g., alternative fuels, alternative fuel vehicles, alternative fuel infrastructure, advanced vehicle technologies, EPAct, Clean Air Act (CAA), Clean Fuel Fleet Program, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), Energy Security, Vehicle Emissions). Applications also are requested for conferences and events that cover common topic areas, such as clean airports or other concentrated niche activities. If warranted, applicants may propose a multi-year grant.

<b>Estimate of Total Available Funds in FY 2002:</b>	\$70,000
<b>Estimated Range in FY2002 DOE Funding Per Award:</b>	\$10,000 to \$50,000
<b>Estimated Range in Total DOE Funding Per Award:</b>	\$10,000 to \$50,000
<b>Estimated Number of Awards:</b>	3 - 4 awards
<b>Anticipated Project Period:</b>	One to Two Years
<b>Cost Share Requirement:</b>	80%
<b>Type of Assistance:</b>	Grant or Cooperative Agreement